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In re Application of:

F. MAKISHIMA et al Serial No.:945,459

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600 Third Avenue New York, N.Y. 10016 April 16, 1999

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the above-identified application, Applicant(s) respectfully request that the period for response the outstanding Office Action be extended for one month until May 5, 1999.

A check for the appropriate fee is enclosed herewith. Should any further extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to maintain this application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit account # 02-2275.

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Amendment